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11. (C) On August 8, PolAssistant delivered reftel points on the New Burma sanctions to MFA Deputy Director of the A10 Directorate for Asia and Oceania Antoula Balanou. In an August 11 follow-up, Balanou mentioned that the most recent GAERC meeting of EU foreign ministers had not addressed the issue of further tightening of EU sanctions on the Burmese regime. She added that if the subject was proposed in future sessions, Greece would have no objections and noted that generally Greece was in compliance with the measures and decisions taken by the EU.

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